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METABOLIC SYNDROME

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Commissioner for Patents

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 17, 2008, please enter the following amendments and remarks in the above-mentioned patent application.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additionally required fees or credit any overcharges to Deposit Account No. 02-2958, but not to include any payment of issues fees.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.